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BENNETT BATTLE ROSS.

Bennett Battle Ross, M. Sc., Professor of Chemistry, was born in Tuskegee, Ala., December 25, 1864. In 1877, he entered the Agricultural and Mechanical College graduating in 1881 with the degree of A. B. After post-graduate work he was given the degree of M. Sc. in 1886. After engaging in mercantile pursuits for a year after graduation, he went to Mexico, where he remained over a year as a civil engineer of the Mexican Central Railroad. In 1884 he was appointed Assistant Chemist in the State Laboratory at Auburn, a position he held until his election, in 1886, to the chair of Chemistry in the University of Louisiana. In 1893, he was elected to his present position. Besides many contributions to scientific journals, he held, in 1896, the important position of President of the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists.

Tennis Club Organized.

At a meeting held a few days ago the Tennis Club was re-organized, and a membership consisting of nearly twenty names were enrolled.

The courts are to be put into first-class condition and all necessary improvements will be made to make the sport as attractive as possible. It is with much gratification that we note the interest being taken in tennis this season, and hope the club will prosper. The inter-collegiate tournament will occur in Montgomery about the middle of May, and we see no reason why our team can't win the championship. All lovers of tennis are cordially invited to join the club. The following is the roll of membership up-to-date:

J. M. Steiner, President; E. H. Wills, Treasurer; C. L. Harold, Secretary; Brooks, R. B. Hall, Beale, Conner, Thornton, Castleman, W. E. Kelley, E. A. Miller, H. Y. Hall, Stickles, Hubbard, Chapman, Pickens.

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SENIORS WIN

The First Game Between the Classes Results in a Victory for the Class of 1900—Seniors 17, Freshmen 0.

On Saturday, February 3rd, the Seniors and Freshmen combatted for honors on the gridiron. Although the Seniors gained an easy victory, the game was by no means a one-sided affair, for the plucky youngsters of the Freshman team were "in the game" from start to finish. More than once the Freshmen demonstrated their ability to advance the ball; but very possibly it would have been more to their advantage if they had resorted to kicking whenever a very long gain was required to make it a first down. The Seniors were well trained and in good condition. We may look for them on the 22nd to give their opponents as much as they care to handle.

The one unpleasant feature connected with the game was an excessive amount of rough play. This, we must add, was not confined to any one side. We hope that we shall not have occasion to mention this matter again. The student body should decry any attempt at unfair football tactics.

The two teams lined up as follows:

SENIORS.	POSITION.	FRESHMEN.
Nixon	R. E.	Davis
Sargent	R. T.	Webb (Capt.)
Rutledge	R. G.	Jones
Butler	L. G.	Wiley
Martin	C.	Whitman
Rigney	L. T.	Braswell
Hall, R. B.	L. E.	Hazard
Finch (Capt.)	Q. B.	Darden
Ilges, G. M.	R. H. B.	Haynie
Neill	L. H. B.	Parsons
Foy	F. B.	Lane
Substitutes: Seniors—Chapman, Duncan, Merchant.		
Freshmen—Hill, Hudson, Fuller.		
Umpire—J. B. Oglesby.		
Referee—B. E. Brown.		
Time-keepers—McDonnell and Yarbrough.		
Linesmen—Pelham and Feagin.		
Time of Half—Twenty Minutes.		

DETAILS OF THE GAME.

Capt. Finch of the Seniors wins the toss-up and chooses the ball. The Freshmen choose to defend the west goal.

Finch makes a low kick of thirty yards. The ball is not caught, but rolls out of bounds, where Webb falls on it. The ball is taken in fifteen paces and put in play. Haynie is sent over left tackle for a gain of three yards. Parsons gains five yards over right tackle. A mass play gains three yards. Lane bucks center for one yard; and again for two yards. Braswell sustains his former record by a gain of eight yards. Webb tries center for no gain. A fumble occurs, and Haynie falls on the ball with a loss of one yard. Davis goes over left extra for two yards. The Freshmen have failed to gain the necessary five yards in the last three rushes, so the ball goes over to the Seniors. Neill makes a pretty gain of twenty yards, and is prevented from making a touchdown

by a timely tackle by Darden. Ilges gains two and a half yards over left tackle. Foy plunges into center, and after shaking off his tackler gains thirteen yards, being finally brought to a stop by Haynie and Darden. Nixon gains three yards over left extra. Neill goes over right tackle for seven yards. Foy gains four yards over left tackle. Ilges leaps the line for a gain of three yards. Neill goes over right tackle for four yards. Seniors fumble, but retain possession of the ball. Nixon is sent over left tackle for a gain of four yards and a touchdown. Time 7 minutes. Finch misses an easy goal.

Score: Seniors 5, Freshmen 0.

Braswell kicks forty-seven yards to Ilges, who advances fifteen yards. Neill skirts right end for a gain of a yard and a half, and then goes over left tackle for two yards. Ilges bucks through left tackle for three yards. Foy gains five yards in the same place. Ilges gains fifteen yards straight ahead.

A Freshman gets off-side, and Umpire Oglesby promptly metes out a penalty of ten yards. Sargent gains seven yards to the left of center. Seniors again fumble, but as quick as lightning one of their men is on the ball. Ilges starts for a run around left end, then makes a pretty dodge to the right, where he has clear ground before him, and is down the field for twelve yards. Foy gains eight yards to the right of center, and then is sent over left tackle for a touchdown. Time 16 minutes. Finch kicks goal.

Score: Seniors 11, Freshmen 0.

Braswell kicks forty-four yards. Ilges catches and advances fourteen yards. Neill gains four yards over right tackle. Foy bucks center for five yards. Hall gains seven yards over right extra. Rigney takes four yards out of center. Neill gains two yards in the same place. Foy gains a yard over left tackle. The ball is fumbled but Foy falls on it. Ilges bucks straight ahead for a gain of two and a half yards. Neill is given the ball five successive times and his gains net twenty-seven yards. He is now doing the best work for the Seniors. Ilges is sent over right tackle for five yards. Nixon is shoved over extra for six yards. Hall goes over right tackle for four yards. Neill gains two yards in the same place. Time is called with the ball in the Seniors' possession within a few feet of the Freshmen's goal.

SECOND HALF.

In this half Neill is replaced by Chapman. Braswell kicks forty-five yards to Chapman who advances the ball eight yards. Foy bucks center for four yards. Nixon follows with a gain of four yards over left tackle. Hall gains five yards over right tackle. Ilges gains three and a half yards over left tackle. Chapman gains five yards over right tackle. Rigney

bucks to the right of center for four yards. Sargent gains five yards over left extra. Foy bucks to the right of center for six yards. Ilges goes over right tackle for four yards. Chapman gains half a yard to the right of center. Hall gains three yards over right tackle. Chapman gets four yards in the same place. Ilges dives through left tackle for a gain of five yards. Nixon makes an eight yard gain over left extra. Hall is sent over right tackle for two yards. Ilges bucks straight ahead for six yards. The Seniors lose the ball as a penalty for being off-side.

Braswell dives into right tackle for five yards. Lane gains four yards in like manner.

The Seniors are off side, and the ball goes ten yards nearer their goal as a penalty. Webb tries center for two yards. Braswell makes it a first down.

The Freshmen again get ten yards on account of their opponents, being off-side. Lane goes over right tackle for three yards. Braswell gains four yards over right extra. An end-run fails to gain. Webb gains one yard through center. The Freshmen here show poor judgment in not kicking. By punting the ball well into their opponents' territory they might have prevented the Seniors from scoring their last touchdown, as the latter would scarcely have had time to bring the ball very far up the field so late in the game. But, instead of kicking, the Freshmen entrust the precious pigskin into the tender embrace of Braswell's brawny arms, hoping that he may be able to gain the coveted distance. "Big Un" makes a powerful effort, but his gain likes half a yard of the distance required. Ball goes over.

Foy gains eight yards to the right of center. Hall goes over right tackle for five yards. Nixon gains four yards over left tackle. Foy advances five yards on a cross buck. Hall penetrates the line for a gain of three yards. Foy makes it a first down. Foy tears through center for seventeen yards. There now remain but a few minutes to play, and both sides are working desperately, the Seniors playing with a determination to secure one more touchdown, and the Freshmen meeting the fierce onslaughts of their opponents with all the resistance in their power. But the Seniors possess superior training and are more experienced players, so that a touchdown by them is inevitable.

Ilges plunges into right tackle for six yards. Hall gains four yards in the same place. Braswell charges to meet the next play and throws it back a yard. The men of '00 now brace themselves for one supreme effort. The ball is put in play and for a moment nothing is to be seen but a mass of arms, legs, and writhing bodies. Then the players lie in a confused heap back of the goal line. From among this tangled mass we pick out Nixon



CHARLES HUNTER ROSS.

Charles Hunter Ross, C. E. Ph. D., was born at Tuskegee, Ala., October 14, 1867. His father, the Rev. B. B. Ross, was for several years professor in the Agricultural and Mechanical College, where the son graduated in 1886 with the degree of B. S., and in 1888, with that of C. E. During 1886-'87 he taught in Marvin College, Clinton, Ky., and during 1887-'88 was an assistant in the Agricultural and Mechanical College. In October, 1888, he entered Johns Hopkins University to pursue graduate courses in English, French and German. He was appointed University Scholar in English in January, 1889, and during 1889-'90 was Fellow in English. After being for a year, 1890-'91, Professor of English in Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, he returned to Johns Hopkins as Fellow by Courtesy, taking the degree of Ph. D., in June, 1892. The same month he was elected to the chair of Modern Languages in the Agricultural and Mechanical College, his present position. In 1893 he published his doctor's dissertation, "The Absolute Participle in Middle and Modern English."

lying on the ball just over the line. Time 15 minutes. Finch kicks goal.

Score: Seniors 17, Freshmen 0. Time called.

Ilges, Neill and Foy did the best work for the Seniors. Braswell was the star player of the Freshmen.

Dr. Hall's Lecture to Y. M. C. A.

A few Sundays ago it was our good fortune to have Dr. Wm. E. Hall, of New York, to address us in the chapel. It was a superb lecture and strictly to the point. His lecture was not as some might have expected, a mere advertisement of his Monday night lecture, but an honest attempt to do good. We think that much good was done. After hearing this we all should have a deeper love for mother. Mr. Hall is capable of doing much good. He is an extraordinary good lecturer.

A rooster was recently arrested for using fowl language.—Red and Black.

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The Reveille is still wrathful with us, pawing up the dirt and hooking the bushes about a little old joke we clipped from it some time before Christmas, and inserted it in our columns without giving proper credit for it. Mirabile dictu! Haven't we said we were sorry to have been guilty of such a breach of literary etiquette, and published to the world that none other than the Reveille is the real author of the chef-d'oeuvre? Did we not own up and ask for forgiveness? We asked for bread and ye have given us a stone. Once more we plead guilty. We acknowledge the corn and throw ourselves on the ignorance of the court.

The fact of the business is the Reveille is afflicted with a strong inclination to sling mud. We beg pardon, but we quit that kind of games when we were a dozen years old. Please seek elsewhere for your dirty sport. It is rather hu-

milating to us to stoop to the indignity of replying to such childish taunts, but if a word or two will put a stop to the obnoxious growlings, we will feel amply paid for the condescension. Our relations with our exchanges this year have been very pleasant. We have a large number and we welcome them all as congenial friends. We read them all with interest and rejoice in the exchange of college news and courtesies. When we come across anything of interest and profit to our own readers, we, of course, print it in our paper. Articles of any literary merit are always credited to their proper sources.

College jokes and squibs of general information are sometimes inserted in cold blood, paying no attention whatever to where we got them. This is done in different ways. Sometimes a joke has a local application, and to get it off as second hand would be ridiculous. Then again the failure of acknowledgment may come through the oversight of our printer, or sometimes through our own carelessness, but more often because we regard the matter as of such small consequence that we neither think nor care anything about it whatsoever. We are not seeking laurels in the newspaper world. We don't claim any literary merit, we have never made any literary pretensions nor are we out spying after literary and journalistic honors. We print simply a plain little college paper solely for the interest of our own people, and above all would we refrain from appropriating as our own anything, the production of which would reflect credit on its author. We regard the Reveille's nagging at us as childish, unfriendly, and extremely impolite. In fact we are convinced that we have never seen before a clearer display of bad judgment, bad taste, and bad manners than the Reveille's slush about an insignificant college joke that really does credit to nobody.

We would be glad to hear no more on the subject. Here we close.

What's the Time?

To the Editor-in-chief of the Orange and Blue:

Dear Sir—Seeing a request in your columns for a discussion of the agitated question as to what century we are living in. I propose, without making myself a partisan of either side's views, to show how and for what reasons, both positions are tenable.

Whether the 20th century begins or not with the present year depends entirely upon how we designate the first year of Christ's life: for we may pass by (since it does not enter into practical bearings of the question at issue) the fact that an error has been made in our chronology by dating the Christian Era from the third year of our Lord's life, instead of from his birth.

These who contend that the 20th century began on the last New Year's Day start with the assumption that the first year of Christ's life should not be designated by any number at all, that it should be called simply A. D., "In the year of our Lord." Assuming this

premise, then, they reason in this manner. Christ was born Jan. 1, A. D. On Jan. 1, A. D. 1, he was one year old. On Jan. 1, A. D. 2, he was two years old. On Jan. 1, A. D. 3, he was three years old, and so on. Following out this line of reasoning, they arrive at the conclusion that, were Christ living now, he would have been 1900 years old on the first of last January. They contend that the numbers of the years of the Christian era correspond with the numbers of the years in a person's life. Thus: A man is 21 years old on his 21st birthday. Consequently, should he live long enough, he would be 1900 years old on his 1900th birthday, and would have lived nineteen centuries. They make, in this way, each New Year's Day a birthday of the Christian era, and conclude that Jan. 1, 1900, being the 1900th birthday of the Christian era, said era must have been 1900 years old on that day. This manner of designating the first year of Christ's life is by no means unsupported by good authority. Astronomers in general agree to call this year A. D. 0, or simply A. D. The Oxford Edition of the Teacher's Bible also supports this view of the question; for we find in it the Flight into Egypt, an event which took place in the second year of Christ's life, dated A. D. 1. The dates B. C. 0, B. C. 1, A. D. 0, and A. D. 1 are not infrequently found in chronological tables and records.

Those who contend that we are still living in the 19th century base their arguments upon the premise that the first year of Christ's life, ought, by a common sense view of the question, to be called the first year of the Christian era, or A. D. 1. They reason in this manner. Christ was born on Jan. 1, A. D. 1, the birth of the Christian era. The era, then, was one year old on Jan. 1, A. D. 2, two years old on Jan. 1, A. D. 3, and so on. Accepting this as a premise, it is very clear that the following out of the argument to its logical conclusion would prove that the Christian era was only 1899 years old on Jan. 1, 1900. As to authorities for calling the first year of Christ's life A. D. 1, they are numerous. Most chronologists agree in reckoning time this way. But the main argument used in its favor by the partisans of this side of the question is this one: that, since we are to date the Christian era from the birth of Christ common sense would dictate that we should call the first year of Christ's life the first year of the Christian era.

Now, any reader who may wish to decide the question for himself, as to what century he is living in has only to "pay his money and take his choice" of what he will call the first year of Christ's life. If he thinks it right to call it simply A. D., or A. D. 0, then he is living in the twentieth century. If he is a conservative fellow, he can still live in the same old nineteenth century by simply deeming it the proper thing to call the first year of Christ's life A. D. 1. At any rate, whichever side he may choose and whichever one I may choose, he can't get around the fact that we are both living at the same time though he may be in one century and I in another.

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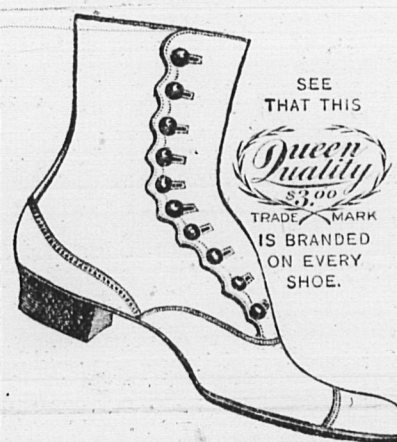
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Miss Rosebud Hitchins, of Jackson, Ga., is the charming visitor of Miss Mary Drake. Miss Hitchins has made many friends among us.

On account of the inclemency of the weather, and hard luck of the Sophomore team, the game between them and the Juniors was postponed from the 10th to 17th. The last game will be played on the 22nd and nobody should miss it.

Prof. Thach, accompanied by Mrs. Thach and Prof. H. H. Kyser, went to Columbus Friday, where he delivered two lectures, one Friday night and one Saturday night. They returned Sunday morning. Prof. Thach is becoming a very popular lecturer, and justly so.

Miss Pauline Chapman, of Cedartown, Ga., is visiting her aunt Mrs. J. S. Hare.

Miss Annie Fleming spent last week in Opelika, the guest of Miss Leo Smith.

The condition of Miss Maude Spires at this writing is slightly improved. We wish her speedy recovery.

The Senior class exercises occur on the 22nd of this month. Those who will take part in the exercises are L. N. Duncan, President of the class, Miss Mary Sampey, class poet, W. C. Dowdell, Jr., class orator, H. P. Powell, class historian. The exercises will commence about 10 a. m.

In the afternoon the Seniors will play the winning team of last Saturday's team. This will be a fine game, and we wish to say in connection, that the Athletic Board is determined to have a clean game on that day. Let us have no squabbling in the game, because this only hurts athletics in college.

Auburn had a slight fall of snow Saturday morning the 17th. The thermometer registered 15 degrees above zero. This is the lowest temperature Auburn has had this winter.

A few more students have been added to the college roll during the last two weeks. The 400 point will almost be reached.

We notice in the Hustler, the Vanderbilt college paper, that two young Chinamen, grandsons of Li Hung Chang, the great Chinese statesman, have entered that institution. These young orientals have come to the United States to learn the English language and western civilization. There are a few other Chinese students at Vanderbilt.

I leaned across the orchard gate, And held her struggling head; Why was I then so cruel pray; And so full of dread? She struggled hard, she struggled long.

I can see her even now, As I looked into the brown eyes Of our dear old brindle cow.—Ex.

The quickest modes of communication—telegraph, telephone, telewoman.

1901 TRIUMPHS.

Juniors Win From the Sophomores—Score 11 to 0.

Although a western wind was sweeping across the campus at the rate of a gale and at a temperature such as to render it little less than a blizzard, yet the intense cold of last Saturday was ineffectual in subduing the ardor of class spirit and the enthusiasm of the lovers of football sport.

The side-lines were thronged with shivering students who spent the time stamping their benumbed feet on the frozen ground and yelling for their favorite classes.

A few minutes after 3 o'clock the Junior and Sophomore teams trotted out on the field and engaged in preliminary signal practice in order to warm up for the coming game. Promptly at 3:30 the game was called by Referee Brown, and the battle began in earnest.

The interference of the Junior team was almost perfect, and their opponents were seldom able to break it up. The Juniors made their greatest gains on end runs; while the Sophs. ran their backs straight ahead in nearly all of their plays.

The teams lined up as follows:

Juniors.	Position	Sophomores
Skeggs, J.	R. E.	Peters
Pelham	R. T.	Patterson
Martin (Capt.)	R. G.	Gray
Lindrose	C.	Coles
Whitfield	L. G.	Masvedal
Harvey	L. T.	Washington
Lancaster	L. E.	Gaddis
Foy, J. D.	Q.	Johnson, C.
Sloan	R. H.	Park (Capt.)
Noll	L. H.	Feagin
Thomas	F. B.	Yarbrough

Substitutes: Juniors—Parker, Brown, Myhand.

Sophomores—Smith, Shepard, Empire—T. H. McAdory. Referee—B. E. Brown. Time Keepers—Skeggs, H. A., and Feagin, A. H. Linesmen—Braswell and Martin, W. C. Time of Half—Twenty minutes.

THE GAME IN DETAIL.

Captain Martin of the Juniors wins the toss up and chooses to defend the west goal, thus having the strong wind at his back.

Yarbrough kicks thirty yards to Skeggs, who advances 5 yards. Sloan is sent around left end for twenty yards. Noll gains the same distance around right end. Noll fails to gain over left tackle. The Juniors lose the ball on a forward pass.

Park bucks straight ahead for four yards, and then tries left tackle for a gain of three yards. Yarbrough gains half a yard straight ahead.

The Sophomores get ten yards more on account of a Junior's being off-side. Park skirts right end for a gain of five yards. A fumble occurs but the Sophs. manage to retain the ball. Feagin is thrown for a loss on an end-run. A double pass to Johnson gains three yards. The ball goes over on downs. Noll sails around right end behind beautiful interference for ten yards. Skeggs gains five yards over left extra. Pelham gains seven yards over left tackle. Harvey gains five yards over right tackle. Thomas goes through center for ten yards, and again for one yard. Sloan gains three yards around left end. Noll gains five yards around right end. Lancaster gains ten yards over right

extra. Sloan skirts left end for a touchdown. Harvey kicks goal.

Score: Juniors 6, Sophomores 0. Yarbrough kicks twenty-five yards. Pelham catches and advances five yards. Lancaster gains thirteen yards over right extra. Thomas bucks center for five yards. Sloan, aided by splendid interference, goes over left tackle for fifteen yards. Noll gains ten yards around right end. Sloan is thrown for a loss on an attempted end run. The Juniors fail to gain the necessary five yards in three downs, and the ball goes over.

Yarbrough gains two yards over left tackle. The Juniors are again off-side, and the usual penalty is administered. Johnson fails to gain on a double pass. A pretty tackle by Noll spoils an attempted end run. Park fails to gain on a run around left end. Ball goes over.

Skeggs gains five yards over left tackle. The Sophs. secure the ball on a fumble. Yarbrough fails to gain. Park bucks straight ahead for no gain. The next effort of the Sophs. fails to make it a first down, and the ball goes over.

Noll gains fourteen yards around right end.

Time for first half called.

SECOND HALF.

Thomas makes a kick of thirty yards, but the ball goes out bounds and a second trial must be made. He then makes a short kick of ten yards, the Juniors probably hoping to secure the ball by this means; but Masvedal is too quick for them. Park gains a yard over right tackle. Feagin gains a yard and a half over left tackle. Park gains two yards around left end. Ball goes over.

Pelham makes his way through left tackle for ten yards. Sloan gains two yards in the same place. Lancaster gains eight yards over right extra. Skeggs fails to gain over left extra. Sloan gains six yards over left tackle. The Juniors fumble the ball in the next rush and Yarbrough gets it.

Feagin gains three yards over right tackle. The ball is fumbled again, and Sloan gets it and comes bucking back for two yards.

Sloan gains ten yards over left tackle. Thomas gains three yards over left tackle. The Sophs. get the ball on a forward pass.

Park gains two and a half yards over right tackle. Yarbrough kicks thirty-seven yards to Thomas, who is downed in his tracks. Noll is given the ball for a run around right end, and behind good interference, and by skillful dodging carries the ball over for a touchdown, having covered a distance of forty-two yards. Harvey misses goal.

Score: Juniors 11, Sophomores 0. Yarbrough kicks thirty-five yards to Pelham, who gains five yards before he is tackled. Noll gains five yards around right end. Sloan goes over left tackle for four yards. Lancaster gains fifteen yards over right extra. The Juniors lose ten yards and the ball on a bad fumble.

Johnson gains six yards on a double pass. Feagin gains two and a half yards around right end. Yarbrough leaps the line for a gain of three yards. Feagin gains two yards straight ahead, and tries again with no gain. Yarbrough

drops back to kick, but fumbles the ball, a Junior falling on it. But the Juniors were off-side, and the Sophs. therefore retain possession of the ball and get ten yards in addition. Park gains three yards straight ahead.

Time for second half called.

Literary Societies.

The oratorical contest between the literary societies will take place in Langdon Hall on the evening of the 22nd. The Websterian society will be represented by Messrs. Harold and Letcher, and the Wirt by Rutland and Lancaster. As these are among the best speakers in college, there are expected some excellent orations from them, which will speak well for the literary societies in college. This is not only an oratorical contest between the two societies, but is also a contest between individuals, a medal being awarded the best speaker. The orations will show not only the power of speaking in public, but they will also show the originality of the speaker, for each prepares his own oration.

That literary societies do much towards preparing young men for life is shown by the large per cent of successful men who acknowledge their success to work of this kind. Come out boys and help the societies out for in so doing you will benefit no one more than yourself.

JUST FOR FUN.

Prof.—What is a rhombus Mr. R.—t-d.

R—t-d—It is a square pushed out of shape.

Prof.—(Laughing and clearing his throat) I think your answer is a little pushed out of shape.

Dr. P—e—Miss Cl—e, did you ever play tops when you were a little boy?

Miss Cl—e—Yes sir.

A rat who wanted to go to Dr. Hall's lecture, made a remark that the quarters would be given back to the students tonight. He was asked to explain. He replied that the adjutant said the quarters would be returned tonight after the lecture. The adjutant only said that the students must return to quarters after lecture.

Cadet E.—Who is Lieutenant Knight?

Senior—There is no such lieutenant.

Cadet E.—He is O. D. every week, because every Friday, they read out "assistants tonight."

Senior R.—How much does a gnat weigh?

Cadet Quartermaster Sergeant W—About one millimeter.

A new military arm has lately been originated by Cadet Lesense of the Senior Tactics class. It consists of cannon mounted on horse back and is called Horse Artillery.

Brutus—How many eggs have you eaten today, Caesar?

Caesar—Et tu, Brutus—Ex.

FEAR AND DEATH.

(AN ARAB LEGEND)

The Spirit of the Plague entered the gate.

One, watching, asked, "How many wilt thou slay?" "A thousand," spake the Spirit, "is my quest."

The Plague made end. The Spirit left the gate.

The watcher cried, "Ten thousand didst thou slay."

"Nay, one," the Spirit said; "Fear killed the rest."

—Ex.

AN ADVENTURE

Three smart young men and three nice girls—

All lovers true as steel—

Decided in a friendly way,

To spend the day awhile.

They started in the early morn,

And nothing seemed amiss;

And when they reached the leafy lanes They in like rode twos this!

They wandered by the verdant dale, Beside the rippling rill;

The sun shone brightly all the while; They heard the song-bird's trill.

They sped through many a woodland glade, The world was full of bliss—

And when they rested in the shade, They sat in twos' likethis!

The sun went down and evening came A lot too soon, they said;

Too long they tarried on the way, The clouds grew black o'erhead,

Down dashed the rain! They homeward flew, Till one unlucky miss

Slipped sideways—Crash! Great Scott! The lot

Were all mixed up likethis!

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Well sir, that is a lie and I can prove it to your entire satisfaction, if you will only give me a chance to go home to my wife and find if she has been to her mother's funeral at the church on the road to Birmingham, a little town with 1,000 inhabitants, who live, principally, on the earnings of a small per cent. of the men who work in the factory where they make axe and pick handles that are to be used in the axes and picks which are used in the construction of the new railroad gotten up by a man, who, from his natural want of sense, will never get a cent of money out of it and will die in the poor house where once lived a man who owned a million acres of land, rich in the finest clay for making those little brown jugs that we see with the whiskey in them that was made from the corn raised on the farm of Mr. Smith, the man who owns that house you see just beyond that large tree with the old dead limb pointing to the mile post put up by Ben Bolt on the road to Canonsville the small village that got its name from the wonderful dog that chewed the ear off the cow that jumped over the moon on the Sunday that the great big cyclone came through and lifted the roof off the house of the widow Perkins and carried it to the yard of her son-in-law, to whom she had not spoken for years because he had run away with her daughter, who she expected would marry Squire Tompkins on a Saturday just one year after the death of his first wife who was the lady who broke the news to mother just as the sun went down on the day that the old gray horse came a tearing out of the wilderness, looking as if he was gwine back to Dixie on the road that runs just north of the home of the girl I left behind me for the girl I loved in sunny Tennessee in the winter when those brave men swore that in Dixie's land they'd take their stand under that peerless gentleman, soldier and patriot, General Robt. E. Lee who was born in Virginia, that State which has surpassed all other States in the product of such men as Washington who was the first president of the United States, that country that gave John Bull his breakfast in 1776, his dinner in 1812, and has a red hot supper waiting for him if he wants any more when he gets through with the Boers, who seem to be giving him all he wants of that same medicine that the big Georgia football team got when they ran up against Heisman's badies, who had almost the strength of Sampson, who married a woman, who cared just as little for him as a yaller pup cares for the hickory that was cut by Mr. Easy Johnson, who is a young man in the town of Auburn, which is particularly noted for it being the abiding place of Mr. Sport Keyser, the expert cattle raiser, who raised a bull right up to the door of Mr. Patrick, who is the dignified commandant, the assistant in math the ass't in History and Latin, the expert gymnasiumist and also the man who opened the door to let

Mr. Trammell out of the room where he had been fastened by some unknown parties, whom he fancied he recognized as two young men of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, which is a college for the technical training of the young men of Alabama, which is not far north of the island of Cuba, the island which the United States freed from Spanish misrule and tyranny by that same war, in which Dewey did the Spanish navy so badly in Manila Bay and, in which Hobson won the ticket, which enabled him to make an ass of himself by kissing more girls than any one man before his time had even wanted to kiss and proved that you were a liar when you said that all fools were dead. SIMON DRAW IT OUT.

Y. M. C. A.

The entertainment given by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. at Mrs. Mell's was all that could have been expected. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, all enjoyed themselves exceedingly. The singing of Mrs. Willis was one of the best features of the entertainment. We also thoroughly enjoyed Betsey Hamilton's selection.

We can truly say that Mrs. Mell knows how to make young people enjoy themselves. We heartily thank her and the other members of Ladies Auxiliary for the excellent time we spent that evening. Such occasions clear away the blues, (if any are ever so afflicted,) We wish we could have these entertainments every month. They help to lighten our college duties. On such occasions we are elevated above the tumult of college life to the higher atmosphere of enjoyment and refreshment. Many, many thanks to the ladies for them.

College Annuals.

The college annual is a peculiar publication. One may read the official catalogues and obtain a fair idea of the curriculum, endowment and attendance of a given institution, one may make a flying visit and see the student body, the campus and the buildings, but next to living for a whole college year in the heart of a student community, the best and only means of arriving at an appreciation of the standards and spirit of colleges and students is to examine closely their publications known as the "annual," and known individually by names which are, indeed eccentric. Our Glomerata only will tell whether athletic distinction or scholarship prizes are most sought; whether the moral tone is high or low; whether the social graces are widely diffused; whether the administration is loyally supported; whether the college is a machine or a living soul. Annuals are issued by every prominent institution in the United States, and to it alone, is due each year, the presence of many of our best students. To the college, therefore, its benefits are numberless. To the students it is a credit and in after years a source of much pleasure and silent meditation of the past. Everyone, therefore, be he professor, alumnus or student, fraternity man or non-fraternity man, should have a pride in the success of all enterprises conducted by student representatives. We, therefore, feel sure that each one will do his part to make the '00 Glomerata surpass, in every respect, those of previous years.

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